

I support media diversity

I am writing to you today to comment on Docket No. 02-277, The Biennial Review of the FCC's broadcast media ownership rules. In its goals to promote competition, diversity and localism in today's media market, I strongly believe that the FCC should retain all of the current media ownership rules now in question. These rules serve the public interest by limiting the market power of already huge companies in the broadcast industry.

I am terribly dissatisfied in the secretive way in which this crucial process has been carried out. I think that the public should be far more informed and involved in any rule changes that will allow for greater concentration of ownership in the media.

Frankly, I believe that the health and survival of our American democracy depends on the widest variety and availability of information outlets and broadcast media--not less.

Please keep the current rules that limit media concentration, and work to improve the requirements that existing companies should be meeting to serve the common interest as they enjoy the privilege of using the public airways.

Thank you,

Mr. Matthew Murrey